

The Federal Communications Commission

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I urge you to reject a flat fee proposal that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service MORE UNAFFORDABLE THAN IT ALREADY IS. I AM ALREADY CONSIDERING COMPLETELY CANCELLING MY RESIDENTIAL SERVICES BECAUSE IT IS SO COSTLY. WE LIVE IN A RURAL AREA AND IF I CALL NEIBORS 2-5 MILES AWAY IT IS CONSIDERED LONG DISTANCE FOR ME. I CUT COST BY USING A CALLING CARD BUT I UNDERSTAND THIS UNFAIR TAX WILL ALSO EFFECT IT TOO. BECAUSE OF THE RURAL AREA, CELL PHONE COVERAGE IS POOR AND BECAUSE OF POOR RECEPTION I AM UNABLE TO USE MY CELL PHONE FOR LONG DISTANCE CALLS WITHIN MY CALLING AREA. BETWEEN MY RESIDENTIAL PHONE BILL, CELL PHONE BILL AND INTERNET SERVICES IT IS RIDICULOUS WHAT I HAVE TOO PAY! AND NOW YOU WANT MORE!!!

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. This is unfair!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

Keep the USF Fair!

Sincerely,

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